



TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager
Date: January 22, 2019
CC: John Phillips, Director of Public Works
Subject: Resolution (Hart) to Appropriate a Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Grant in the Amount of \$63,237.62 from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. (118)

Background: The Town of West Hartford applied for and was awarded a Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) grant from CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. The purpose of this grant program is to significantly reduce diesel emissions by replacing aging vehicles with new vehicles that utilize clean diesel technology. West Hartford will utilize its grant of \$63,237.62, along with matching funds of \$199,575.85, to replace an aged dump truck with a 2019 truck that is available under state contract. The truck will be used for hauling, paving support, catch-basin repair, and snow operations.

Operational Impact: Acceptance of the DERA grant and subsequent replacement of a 1995 dump truck with a 2019 Freightliner 114SD would enhance air quality by reducing engine emissions and decreasing fuel consumption. In addition, replacing the older equipment with the newer vehicle would allow the department to save on maintenance costs.

Financial Impact: The Town Council's adoption of this resolution would have a direct fiscal impact on the fiscal year 2018-2019 budget of the Capital Projects Fund. Estimated intergovernmental revenue would increase \$63,237.62 with a corresponding appropriation for the purchase of a truck. The remaining purchase price of \$199,575.85 is available within existing appropriations of the fiscal year 2019-2020 Public Works Rolling Stock capital account.

Legal Review: Corporation Counsel has reviewed and approved the form and legality of the attached resolution.

Project Schedule: If approved, the project would commence in January 2019; the Public Works Department would expect to complete the project by August 31, 2019.

Recommendation: In order to access the grant funds for the new vehicle, staff recommends Council approval of the attached resolution.

Attachments: See attached resolution.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE A DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT (DERA)
GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,237.62 FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

WHEREAS, the Town of West Hartford applied for and was awarded a Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Grant (DERA) from the State of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, and

WHEREAS, the grant requires matching funds of \$199,575.85 which are available in the fiscal year 2020 Public Works Rolling Stock capital account, and

WHEREAS, the truck will be used for hauling, paving support, catch basin repair and for snow and ice operations, and

WHEREAS, the Town of West Hartford intends to purchase the truck from a vendor under contract with the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (DAS),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD accepts the DERA grant from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection in the amount of \$63,237.62 and hereby amends the fiscal year 2018-2019 budget of the Capital Projects Fund as follows:

Estimated Revenue

41-892020-80003-9071	State Grant Revenue	\$63,237.62
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Increase Appropriations

41-892020-80003-3217	Public Works Rolling Stock	\$63,237.62
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